In the Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A graphical user interface for a display devised for presentation of hierarchical information, comprising: a first menu field (1) carrying a list of menu items (2), at least one of ~~said~~ the menu items indicating a submenu field which is expandable within ~~said~~ the first menu field, ~~characterised in that said~~ wherein a graphical layer effect (4) is applied to an expanded submenu field such that ~~said the~~ expanded submenu field is displayed as an underlying layer (3) to the first menu field.

2.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the ~~for an~~ expanded submenu field[[,]] is located between two menu items[[,]] and the first menu field is displayed as being separated into two first menu fields (1A, 1B) revealing ~~said~~ the underlying layer there between.

3.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein ~~said~~ the graphical layer effect comprises ~~the visualisation of~~ an edge (4) between displayed layers.

4.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that said~~ wherein the graphical layer effect comprises ~~the visualisation of~~ a shadow (4) on ~~an~~ the underlying layer from an overlying layer.

5.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a displayed overlying layer is defined by a field (1A, 1B) enclosed by a contour (5) having rounded corners (6).

6.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a displayed overlying layer is defined by a field (1A, 1B) enclosed by a contour (5) having corners (6) with an inner angle of more than 90°.

7.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in ~~any of the previous claims, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the menu item for ~~an~~ the expanded submenu field is displayed in the underlying layer of the submenu field.

8.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in ~~any of the previous claims, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the parameter headings in ~~said~~the first menu field are arranged in an order determined by frequency of use.

9.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in ~~any of the previous claims, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein a selection indicator ~~(7)~~ comprises a contour ~~(8)~~ formed around a selected menu item in a list and a graphical layer effect ~~(4)~~ to ~~said~~ the contour.

10.   (Currently Amended) The graphical user interface as recited in claim 9, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein it comprises an item triggering field ~~(9)~~ which can be activated to trigger an action associated with a menu item selected by ~~said~~ the selection indicator.

11.   (Currently Amended) A graphical interface system comprising a display connected to a microprocessor unit, and a computer program including computer program code which, when executed by ~~said~~ the microprocessor unit, triggers the microprocessor unit to present, on ~~said~~ the display, a graphical user interface comprising: a first menu field carrying a list of menu items, at least one of the menu items indicating a submenu field which is expandable within the first menu field, wherein a graphical layer effect is applied to an expanded submenu field such that the expanded submenu field is displayed as an underlying layer to the first menu field. ~~according to any of the previous claims.~~

12. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for a graphical user interface ~~system~~ comprising: ~~a microprocessor unit and a display, said~~the computer ~~program product including computer program code which, when executed by the microprocessor unit, triggers the microprocessor unit to present, on said~~the display, ~~a graphical user interface according to any of the claims 1 – 10.~~

a computer readable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein, the computer readable program code comprising:

computer readable program code configured to provide a first menu field carrying a list of menu items, at least one of the menu items indicating a submenu field which is expandable within the first menu field;

computer readable program code configured to apply a graphical layer effect to an expanded submenu field such that the expanded submenu field is displayed as an underlying layer to the first menu field.

13. (Currently Amended) A portable communication terminal ~~(30)~~ comprising a display ~~(21)~~ and a means for executing a presentation on ~~said~~ the display of a graphical user interface ~~according to any of the claims 1 – 10.~~, the graphical user interface comprising a first menu field carrying a list of menu items, at least one of the menu items indicating a submenu field which is expandable within the first menu field, wherein a graphical layer effect is applied to an expanded submenu field such that the expanded submenu field is displayed as an underlying layer to the first menu field.